

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

[1] (Previously Amended) A steam cooker comprising:

 a cooking chamber in which foods are put;

 an external circulation path for blowing gas sucked from the cooking chamber via a suction port into the cooking chamber via a blowhole so that the gas strikes the foods in the cooking chamber;

 a blower for generating gas current traveling from the suction port to the blowhole in the external circulation path; and

 a steam generator for supplying steam to the gas passing through the external circulation path, wherein

 the external circulation path is provided with a steam ejector in a position downstream of the blower for sucking steam generated by the steam generator.

[2] (Original) The steam cooker according to claim 1, wherein

 the external circulation path is provided with a bypass for the gas to bypass the steam ejector.

[3] (Currently amended) The steam cooker according to claim 1 or 2,
 wherein

 the external circulation path is constructed using a pipe with circular cross section.

[4] (Currently amended) The steam cooker according to claim 1 or 2,
 wherein

the blower includes a centrifugal fan.

[5] (Original)

The steam cooker according to claim 4, wherein

a motor for driving the centrifugal fan is a direct current motor.

[6] (Original)

The steam cooker according to claim 3, wherein

the blower includes a centrifugal fan.

[7] (Original)

The steam cooker according to claim 6, wherein

a motor for driving the centrifugal fan is a direct current motor.